

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Joseph Edelen, Jr. has devoted his life to the betterment of his community, through his caring, sharing, and day-to-day giving, making South Dakota a great state in which to live and work; and,

*Whereas*, Joseph has held different positions at the ID Weeks Library at The University of South Dakota for 42 years, and, on May 21, 2010, Joseph is retiring; and,

*Whereas*, Joseph has responded faithfully to his duties by serving as the Executive Secretary for the Mountain Plains Library Association for 30 years, as President of the South Dakota Library Association from 1984-1985, as a Councilor for the American Library Association, and on the Members Council for OCLC, the largest cooperative library system in the world; and,

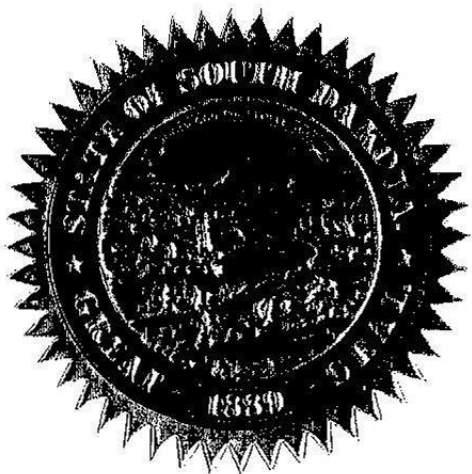
*Whereas*, Joseph is active in the Vermillion Rotary Club and St. Agnes Catholic Church where he serves as song leader for both organizations; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of his retirement as his friends, relatives, and colleagues gather on May 14, 2010, to honor him for his many years of service:

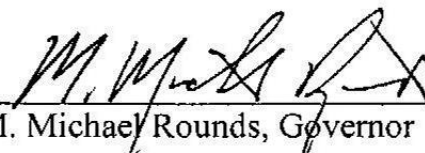
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 21, 2010, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family and his many friends from The University of South Dakota and the Vermillion community in wishing him a fulfilling and happy retirement.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State